



The Advanced Broadband Enabled Learning Program Transforming Learning by Connecting People

The award-winning **Advanced Broadband Enabled Learning** (ABEL) program strives to improve results through its professional learning program and its virtual community for sharing knowledge and collaboration. Through both public and private sector partnerships and a research-based approach, ABEL integrates new and existing information communication technologies (ICT) in teaching and learning. The combination of its networks, partnerships and a focus on research, results in innovative models for teaching and learning that drive institutional transformation and create new opportunities.

Founded in 2002, the ABEL program is a unique research and innovation program led and funded by York University and the York Region District School Board (YRDSB). Since its inception, the ABEL program has been working with educators in classrooms across Canada. The program has established national and international credibility as a leading authority in new modes of learning into classrooms.

Leveraging technologies and social applications, ABEL connects students, educators, researchers and community partners, including the private and industry sector, and social and public sector agencies to learning opportunities. ABEL's proven track record of success ensures the effective use of collaborative technologies and interactive web-based experiences that engage the participant(s) and contribute to knowledge mobilization.

ABEL is committed to providing the following services:

- Professional Learning services;
- Videoconferencing (point-to-point or multi-point, real-time);
- Video streaming: real-time or asynchronous access;
- Consulting services on the effective use of collaborative and social applications such as blogs, wikis, e-portfolio, podcasting, Learning Management Systems and more;
- Instructional design for the design, development and delivery of web-based learning and/or collaborative services;
- Technological consulting services;
- Access to a network of community partners and relationships that are both local, national and international.

The ABEL program has established national and international credibility as a leading authority in new models of learning, working and collaboration. For more information about the ABEL program and its learning opportunities, please contact abelinfo@yorku.ca.